

House Resolution No. 3824

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who have brought glory and honor to themselves and to state government through the excellence of their achievements; and

Whereas, Gregory Cruz of Dixon, Missouri, is a Corrections Officer I at the Algoa Correctional Center in Jefferson City; and

Whereas, a high school graduate who served in the United States Army from 1982 to 1986, CO I Gregory Cruz has earned distinction for lifesaving activities which took place on February 16, 2004; and

Whereas, CO I Gregory Cruz came across a two-vehicle accident which had taken place on Highway 63 in Maries County; and

Whereas, even though one of the vehicles was on fire, CO I Gregory Cruz and a fellow correctional employee called emergency personnel and assisted in getting victims out of the vehicles safely without loss of life; and

Whereas, the timely and skillful intervention by CO I Gregory Cruz in a dangerous situation reflects highly on his personal training, the Algoa Correctional Center where he is employed, and the Missouri Department of Corrections; and

Whereas, CO I Gregory Cruz will be recognized by the Missouri Department of Corrections on Friday, August 13, 2004, when it grants him a Lifesaver Award for going far beyond his regular duties at great personal risk to help prevent a life-threatening situation; and

Whereas, CO I Gregory Cruz has been an outstanding member of the Department of Corrections since March 11, 2002:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to salute Gregory Cruz and to convey to him this legislative body's heartiest commendation of his unselfish actions on February 16, 2004, which undoubtedly saved the life of a fellow human being; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Corrections Officer I Gregory Cruz of Dixon, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Bill Ransdall
District No. 148

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3824, adopted August 12, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker